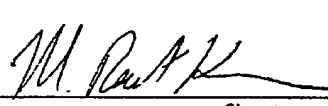


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<b>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)</b> (Large Entity)				Docket No. (MM) 53 928	
In Re Application Of: <b>Brodbeck</b>					
Application No. 09/551,252	Filing Date 04/18/2000	Examiner Clark F. Dexter	Customer No.	Group Art Unit 3724	Confirmation No. 1754
Invention: <b>Apparatus for Cutting Tubes</b>					
<p><u>COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u></p> <p>This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of <u>03/10/2005</u> above-identified application. <span style="margin-left: 100px;"><i>Date</i></span></p> <p>The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):</p> <p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One month             <input type="checkbox"/> Two months             <input type="checkbox"/> Three months             <input type="checkbox"/> Four months             <input type="checkbox"/> Five months       </p> <p>         from: <u>06/10/2005</u>                      until: <u>07/10/2005</u>  <span style="margin-left: 100px;"><i>Date</i></span>    <span style="margin-left: 100px;"><i>Date</i></span> </p> <p>The fee for the extension of time is <u>460</u> and is to be paid as follows:</p> <p> <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.  <input type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No.  <input type="checkbox"/> If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No.  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.       </p> <p><b>WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</b></p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-end; margin-top: 20px;"> <div style="width: 40%;">   <i>Signature</i> </div> <div style="width: 50%; text-align: right;"> Dated: 07/10/2005 </div> </div> <div style="margin-top: 20px;"> <p><b>M. Robert Kestenbaum</b>          Reg. No. 20,430          11011 Bermuda Dunes NE 07/11/2005 TL0111 00000017 09551252          Albuquerque, NM, USA 87111 02 FC:2251          Phone: 505 323 0771          Fax: 505 323 0865</p> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px; width: fit-content;"> <p>I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to "Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450" [37 CFR 1.8(a)] on</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Date)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence</p> </div>					
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